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## It Hangs On

If it was only health, we might let it cling. But it is a cough. One cold no sooner passes off before another comes. But it's the same old cough all the time. And it's the same old story, too. There is first the cold, then the cough, then pneumonia or consumption with the long sickness, and life trembling in the balance.

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loosens the grasp of your cough. The congestion of the throat and lungs is removed; all inflammation is subdued; the parts are put perfectly at rest and the cough drops away. It has no diseased disease on which to hang.

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### NOTICE

The undersigned having qualified as administrator of the estate of B. F. Tugman, deceased, all parties having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present the same duly authenticated within twelve months from the date hereof or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to the said estate will please make prompt settlement. This Jan. 9<sup>th</sup> 1900.  
L. A. Greene, Administrator.

### WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent

Mr. McKinley can change his opinion as quick as other men can change their coats when he finds it necessary, and he can smilingly pretend that he is thoroughly pleased with his last one. His latest lightning change act was in connection with the Porto Rico bill. It is well known that the Payne bill, providing for free trade with Porto Rico, was prepared under Mr. McKinley's instructions, but the republican revolt grew so rapidly that the republican Ways and Means Committee jumped into the breach with a compromise in the shape of a substitute for the Payne bill. This substitute provides for the collection of a duty on Porto Rican products of 25 per cent. of the duty levied upon similar foreign products, and it will be pushed through as a party measure. It has already been endorsed by the Senate Porto Rico Committee. Notwithstanding all his previous talk to Porto Ricans and others in favor of free trade, Mr. McKinley now pretends to be perfectly satisfied with the 25 per cent. bill. In other words, he is once more demonstrating that he is a follower, not a leader of his party; and that he has no opinion that he would not sacrifice rather than take any chance of missing a re-nomination. But the trouble among the republicans over this matter isn't yet ended, as Senator Platt, of Connecticut, who started the revolt, has given notice of his intention to offer an amendment increasing the tariff on Porto Rican products to 50 per cent.

Representative Talbot, of S. C., has served notice on the House that no pension bills are to be passed except when there is a quorum present. In the course of a short, but emphatic speech, he said: "I believe the pension laws are sufficiently liberal to pension every deserving soldier and widow, and I am opposed to sitting here every Friday night, as a court of Appeals, to pass special cases which have been refused by the Pension Bureau. If it is to be done, there must be a quorum. Members cry aloud their love for the old soldiers but they will not give up their pink teas and poker parties and that sort of things to vote pensions."

The best lawyers in the senate, regardless of politics, are the opinion that the refusal of Taylor, to issue a certificate of election to Senator elect Blackburn, of Ky., will not prevent the seating of Senator Blackburn, when the term of Senator Lindsay, whom he was elected to succeed, expires, which, by the way, will not until March 3, 1901. It has only been a few years since Senator Call was seated without objection in the face of the absolute refusal of the Governor of Florida, to give him a certificate of election. Mr. Call merely presented a certified copy of

the proceedings of the legislature when he was elected, and that will be all that Mr. Blackburn will have to do.

Secretary Gage is officially notifying the national banks which have been receiving the internal revenue receipts on deposit, that the money would not hereafter be sent to the city National Bank of New York, for distribution, as has been done since December 18th, last, but would be sent to the various sub-treasuries, as usual, virtually acknowledging the justice of the democratic attacks upon his favoritism. That acknowledgment has not, however, stopped the pressure in either House or Senate for an investigation of that favoritism. The only way that can be stopped is for the republican majority to vote down the investigation resolution, and if they do that, it will be an acknowledgment that they fear an honest investigation. If they are willing to take that stand, they have the power to do so; but they will thereby increase the already bright prospects for democratic success in the Presidential and Congressional elections.

Senator Allen's remedy for trusts, as given by him in a public speech, is so plain that he who runs may read and understand. He said: "The remedy is in the ballot box. Go to the polls next November and cast your vote against the present trust ridden administration, and you will have remedied the evil of these gigantic corporations and their purchased press. Redeem the country by the ballot."

The Washington end of Taylor's game was up when Mr. McKinley, by advice of his Cabinet, decided to keep his fingers out. Since then, Taylor's friends have been trying in every way to get that decision reconsidered. Their last dodge is to ask Mr. McKinley to send a commission to Kentucky to investigate. There is one reason which makes it quite sure that this request will not be granted; Mr. McKinley has no authority to appoint such a commission. There is good reason for the assertion that Taylor has lost much of the sympathy he had from members of the administration by his high-handed and illegal actions since the dastardly assassination of Mr. Goebel. Senator Devoe is said to have become disgusted with Taylor's acts, and to have told him so by telegraph and to have advised him not to oppose the State courts.

"I think I would go crazy with pain were it not for Chamberlain's Pain Balm," writes Mr. W. H. Stapleton, Herminie, Pa. "I have been afflicted with rheumatism for several years and have tried remedies without number, but Pain Balm is the best medicine I have got hold of." One application relieves the pain. For sale by dealers.

There will be over 7,000 exhibitors at the Paris Exposition, and the United States is in the first rank of the exhibitors.

### ADD A SECTION TO THE AMENDMENT.

Wilmington Special to News and Observer.

Judge George H. Brown, recognized as one of the ablest judges and one of the most far-sighted public men in the State, is here holding court for the first time in six years. The 'Star' this morning publishes a conversation between the editor of the Star and Judge Brown on the constitutional amendment. Judge Brown is quoted as making an important suggestion with reference to the constitutional amendment. In substance he said: "It goes without saying that I am heartily in favor of the amendment I preferred a constitutional convention and I still think it the part of wisdom to have called one. It is useless to discuss the constitutionality of the amendment as a whole. It is the deliberate act of the General Assembly passed after mature consideration. We must assume that it is constitutional and make our fight upon its imperative necessity. The stump is not a very good forum from which to make constitutional arguments."

"There is only one real ground of attack by which our opponents hope to defeat the amendment. I gather this from Mr. Pritchard's and Butler's utterances. This is to the effect that section 5, the so called 'grandfather clause,' will be declared unconstitutional, and section 4, containing all the restrictions and limitations upon the right to vote, will be left standing alone. I see the talented young Congressman Kitchin has published a very fine logical argument combating Pritchard's and Butler's position. Every candid and well informed lawyer is convinced that the amendment will stand or fall as a whole, but I am not so sure that we can make that so plain to the thousands of good honest white citizens who are not lawyers. They cannot so readily comprehend the form of legal arguments. We do not propose to disfranchise any white citizen, who is not a convict, if we know it. We can put that question beyond all doubt and we should do it. The people can then see that we are sincere."

"When the Legislature meets in adjourned session in June, let a bill be at once passed amending the present constitutional amendment bill, now before the people by adding another section to this effect:

"Sec. 6. This act shall be construed and taken as a whole, and if any of its clauses, sections and provisions shall for any reason become or be declared imperative and invalid, the whole of this amendment and every part and section thereof shall become null and void and of no effect."

"This method of convincing the people of our real purpose will be far more potent than legal arguments. It will be a knock down argu-

ment, and Butler, Pritchard & Co., can say nothing more.

"We ought not to be deterred from this because Butler & Co. will claim that they forced us to do it. This is false pride. Our position is already taken, that the amendment will stand or fall as a whole. Therefore, it is right and manly that we put it in the bill so the matter will be beyond dispute."

"This course will silence the heaviest guns of our enemy, and will allay the fears of many honest but illiterate white citizens who will not be willing to jeopardize their right to vote."

"These people have inherited a capacity for self government, and are as capable of exercising the elective franchise as you and I are. They are a part of the bone and sinew of the State. Many are old Confederate veterans."

"Let us satisfy this class of our white citizens fully that their right to vote is not being put in jeopardy by the proposed amendment."

"Argumentation may not do it. The Legislature can, and I hope will do it. If it is done I am confident the amendment will be ratified by a large majority."

There is no better remedy for the babies than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Its pleasant taste and prompt and effectual cures make it a favorite with mothers and small children. It quickly cures their coughs and colds, prevents pneumonia or other serious consequences. It also cures croup and has been used in tens of thousands of cases without a single failure so far as we have been able to learn. It not only cures croup, but when it is given as soon as the croup appears, it will prevent the attack. In cases of whooping cough it likens the tough mucus, making it easier to expectorate, and lessens the severity and frequency of the paroxysms of coughing, thus depriving that disease of all dangerous consequences. For sale by dealers.

Of all the war claims yet presented to Congress from North Carolina that of Dr. Jno. F. Foard, of Statesville, for \$100,000, submitted by Senator Butler recently is the largest. The papers in the case are voluminous and represent that Dr. Foard had taken from him by the United States army during the civil war supplies and property to the amount stated.

It takes but a minute to overcome tickling in the throat and to stop a cough by the use of One Minute Cough Cure. This remedy quickly cures all forms of throat and lung troubles. Harmless and pleasant to take. It prevents consumption. A famous specific for gripe and its after effects. Coffey Bros., Phillips and Son.

It is said that the white Republicans have issued orders for the negroes to keep away from the Republican conventions this year.—Mass cot.

"I was nearly dead with dyspepsia, tried doctors, visited mineral springs, and grew worse. I used Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. That cured me." It digests what you eat. Cures indigestion, sour stomach, heartburn and all forms of dyspepsia. Coffey Bros. Phillips, & Son.

A Foul Slander. Chatham Record.

Senator Pritchard's speech in favor of his resolution in the Senate, as officially reported in the Congressional Record, contains a willful and malicious slander on the Democratic party in this State which he well knows to be utterly without foundation, and which, in another part of his speech, he himself unintentionally completely refuted.

This slander is in these words:

"There has never been a moment since the adoption of the constitution in 1868 when it has not been the intention of the Democratic party to all in their power, if the opportunity should present itself, to amend our constitution so as to restrict the right of suffrage, and; if possible, prevent the poor and illiterate white people of N. C. from exercising their privilege."

When Senator Pritchard uttered these words he knew they were not true, and none but a foulmouthed demagogue would have been guilty of so unfounded and unjust a slander against men who could not be present to denounce it and him. The idea of the Democratic party every since '68 having the intention to disfranchise "the poor white man" of North Carolina.

The Democratic party in North Carolina can proudly point to its past history in proof of its protection of and devotion to the poor and illiterate white people of this State. And it is but natural that the democratic party should have been and will continue to be the friend and protector of the poor and illiterate white people, for a majority of them are Democrats themselves.

What party advocated 'free suffrage' and gave the poor white men of North Carolina the same right to vote as was given the richest?

What party since the war has done the most towards educating the poor, white children of North Carolina.

We proudly answer the democratic party.

But as stated above, Senator Pritchard himself refuted his slander in the latter part of the same speech, in answering a question of Senator Chandler. In speaking of the "Grandfather" clause of our proposed suffrage amendment Mr. Pritchard said that "it is plain that it is an attempt to deprive the colored race of the right to vote." Thereupon Senator Chandler asked him if he knew why the date of Jan. 1, 1876, was fixed. In answer to this question Senator Pritchard said, "It was fixed, I understand, with a view of caring for the white men of the State who were entitled to vote at that time."

So, here is Pritchard refuting his own slanderous words by declaring that the Democrats intended the suffrage amendment "to deprive the colored race of the right to vote" and inserted the "grandfather clause" "with a view of caring for the white men" of the State who were poor and illiterate.